Notice of Public Hearing and Business Meeting, May 11 and June 8, 2022

Notice is hereby given that the Delaware River Basin Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, May 11, 2022. A business meeting will be held the following month on Wednesday, June 8, 2022. Both the hearing and the business meeting are open to the public. The public hearing will be conducted remotely. The business meeting will be held both remotely and in-person at the Chase Center on the Riverfront located at 815 Justison Street, Wilmington, DE 19801, in the Center's Dravo Auditorium. Details about the remote platforms for the two events and any Covid protocols for the in-person business meeting venue will be posted on the Commission's website, www.drbc.gov, at least ten days prior to the respective meeting dates.

<u>Public Hearing.</u> The Commission will conduct the public hearing remotely on **May 11, 2022**, commencing at **1:30 p.m.** Hearing items will include draft dockets for withdrawals, discharges, and other projects that could have a substantial effect on the basin's water resources; and resolutions: (a) adopting the Commission's Water Resources Program FY2023-2025, (b) approving the Commission's FY2023 Expense Budget, and (c) providing for the signatory parties' contributions for the support of the Commission's FY2023 Expense and Capital Budgets.

A list of the projects scheduled for hearing, including project descriptions, will be posted on the Commission's website, www.drbc.gov, in a long form of this notice at least ten days before the hearing date.

Written comments on matters scheduled for hearing on May 11, 2022, will be accepted through 5:00 p.m. on Monday, May 16, 2022.

The public is advised to check the Commission's website periodically during the ten days prior to the hearing date, as items scheduled for hearing may be postponed if additional time is needed to complete the Commission's review. Items also may be added up to ten days prior to the hearing date. In reviewing docket descriptions, the public is asked to be aware that the details of projects may change during the Commission's review, which is ongoing.

<u>Public Meeting</u>. The public business meeting on **June 8, 2022**, will begin at **10:30 a.m.** and will include: adoption of the Minutes of the Commission's March 9, 2022, business meeting; announcements of upcoming meetings and events; a report on hydrologic conditions; reports by the Executive Director and the Commission's General Counsel; and consideration of any items for which a hearing has been completed or is not required. The agenda is expected to include consideration of the draft dockets for withdrawals, discharges, and other projects that were subjects of the public hearing on May 11, 2022; and resolutions: (a) adopting the Commission's Water Resources Program FY 2023-2025, (b) approving the Commission's FY 2023 Expense Budget, and (c) providing for the signatory parties' contributions to support of the Commission's FY 2023 Expense and Capital Budgets.

After all scheduled business has been completed and as time allows, the business meeting will be followed by up to one hour of Open Public Comment, an opportunity to address the Commission on any topic concerning management of the Basin's water resources outside the context of a duly noticed, on-the-record public hearing.

There will be no opportunity for additional public comment for the record at the June 8, 2022, business meeting on items for which a hearing was completed on May 11, 2022, or a previous date. Commission consideration on June 8, 2022, of items for which the public hearing is closed may result in approval of the item (by docket or resolution) as proposed, approval with changes, denial, or deferral. When the Commissioners defer an action, they may announce an additional period for written comment on the item, with or without an additional hearing date, or they may take additional time to consider the input they have already received without requesting further

public input. Any deferred items will be considered for action at a public meeting of the Commission on a future date.

Advance Sign-Up for Oral Comment. Individuals who wish to comment on the record during the public hearing on May 11, 2022, or to address the Commissioners informally during the Open Public Comment portion of the meeting on June 8, 2022, as time allows, are asked to sign up in advance through EventBrite. Links to EventBrite for the public hearing and the business meeting will be posted at www.drbc.gov at least ten days before each meeting date. For assistance, please contact Ms. Patricia Hausler of the Commission staff, at patricia.hausler@drbc.gov.

Addresses for Written Comment. Written comment on items scheduled for hearing may be made through the Commission's web-based comment system, a link to which is provided at www.drbc.gov. Use of the web-based system ensures that all submissions are captured in a single location and their receipt is acknowledged. Exceptions to the use of this system are available based on need, by writing to the attention of the Commission Secretary, DRBC, P.O. Box 7360, 25 Cosey Road, West Trenton, NJ 08628-0360. For assistance, please contact Patricia Hausler at patricia.hausler@drbc.gov.

Accommodations for Special Needs. Individuals in need of an accommodation as provided for in the Americans with Disabilities Act who wish to attend the meeting or hearing should contact the Commission Secretary directly at 609-883-9500 ext. 203 or through the Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS) at 711, to discuss how we can accommodate your needs.

Additional Information, Contacts. Additional public records relating to hearing items may be examined at the Commission's offices by appointment by contacting Denise McHugh, 609-883-9500, ext. 240. For other questions concerning hearing items, please contact David Kovach, Project Review Section Manager at 609-883-9500, ext. 264.

<u>Authority.</u> Delaware River Basin Compact, Public Law 87-328, Approved September 27, 1961, 75 Statutes at Large, 688, sec. 14.4.

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Commission Secretary and Assistant General Counsel.

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